

# **Bike to the Future Monthly Meeting**

**Tuesday November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2007, following the AGM at 5:30 pm**  
**Manitoba Eco-Centre**

## **Minutes**

### **1) Welcome and Introductions**

**Present:** Don English, Curt Hull, Debbie Shkolny, David Wieser, Karin Kliewer, Kevin Miller, Rob Cosco, Alain Foidart, Tim Hunt, Brion Dolenko, Ben Goldstein, Mark Cohoe, Shannon Keys, Gareth Simons, Janice Lukes, Jeremy Hull, Molly McCracken, Charlie Thrift, Cliff Reid, Terry Zdan, Guy Madill, Glenn Stanley, Richard Milgrom, Anders Swanson, Liezl Swanson, Ted Mann

**Regrets:** Jackie Avent, Bill Spornitz, Dave Elmore

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm

### **2) Approval of Agenda**

MOTION: To adopt the agenda; M/S/C (Mark Cohoe/Ben Goldstein)

### **3) Adoption of Minutes from Meeting October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007**

MOTION: To adopt the meeting minutes from October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2007 M/S/C (Guy Madill/ Tim Hunt)

### **4) Business Arising from Minutes**

None

### **5) Reports from Directors**

#### ***a) Co-Chairs (Jackie Avent & Kevin Miller)***

##### **i) Special Board Meeting on Wednesday November 21<sup>st</sup>**

A special meeting of the board will be held on Wednesday November 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:30pm at the MB Eco-Centre. The meeting will be held to determine the following:

- ⌘ How to manage/streamline trails committee/reporting within Bike to the Future;
- ⌘ Bike to the Future Policies
  - Critical Mass
  - Trails vs. On-Road Infrastructure
- ⌘ Partnerships with Winnipeg Bicycle Shops

##### **ii) EMail Lists/EMail Forums/EMail Addresses**

- ⌘ The BttF Email list has been on full moderation for the past two weeks to to cut back on the number of messages being sent out, which many members felt were unnecessary. Only announcements are going through.
- ⌘ The existing Email list will be relegated to a one-way announcements only email list.
- ⌘ BttF will create a discussion list/forum to take over day-to-day discussions, and will send out an announcement inviting members to join this list as soon as it is ready.
- ⌘ The discussion list/forum should be ready in one or two weeks and will probably be web based.

##### **Questions/Comments arising:**

Anders Swanson mentioned the Google Groups that have been set up for neighbourhood stewardship groups. They can be accessed through [www.onegreencity.com](http://www.onegreencity.com) . Click on Articles and Discussion to list and join the various neighborhood Google Groups.

## **b) Treasurer (Curt Hull)**

- ⌘ Current balance as of October 31<sup>st</sup> 2007 is \$1848.03, excluding about \$205 in outstanding cheques.
- ⌘ See attached report.

## **c) Secretary (Vacant)**

No report this month

## **d) Membership/Outreach/Volunteers (Karin Kliewer)**

No Report this month

## **e) City (Rob Cosco)**

- ⌘ Rob described Bike to the Future's efforts in regard to the city's Zoning By-Law Review
- ⌘ The City dropped its original threshold of 100 car parking spots before any kind of short-term bike parking would be required.
- ⌘ The new city zoning by-law will now require short term bicycle parking equal to 10% of vehicle parking spots
- ⌘ Requirements for long-term parking spots have been referred to the review of the by-law that will be carried out 1 year after the new by-law comes into affect.
- ⌘ The by-law review did not include the downtown
- ⌘ The City Committee worked with the ATAC Committee on its by-law recommendations
- ⌘ See attached report.

### **Questions/Comments arising:**

Anders Swanson made a presentation to the City's Standing Committee on Downtown Development in support of a resolution to give the downtown special consideration in the Active Transportation Action Plan to be completed by June 2008. Curt Hull and Kevin Miller also presented. Councillor Russ Wyatt has brought up having a percentage of infrastructure allocated to bikes/AT

## **f) Province (Jeremy Hull)**

- ⌘ Jeremy Hull was invited to and attended the Climate Change Round Table
- ⌘ Cycling was mentioned
- ⌘ Lots of comparisons to Chicago
- ⌘ Lost of hesitation related to perceptions on winter cycling

**Action:** The committee is working on a submission to the provincial pre-budget consultations.

### **Questions/Comments arising:**

Q. What would we want the result to be re construction on highways.  
A. We would want provisions for cyclists.

## **g) Website/Communications (Ben Goldstein)**

### **i) New Website Status**

- ⌘ A meeting with several directors/committee reps was held to talk over the new website.
- ⌘ The development website can be viewed at [v2.biketothefuture.org](http://v2.biketothefuture.org)
- ⌘ The committee is getting the final details of the site worked out
- ⌘ The new site includes a user friendly content management system that will decentralize and speed up communications
- ⌘ The committee is still discussing how to organize the web-site/content creation
- ⌘ Curt Hull has been modelling site map organization

**Action:** Ben will set up a follow-up meeting to give content managers another chance to see the system and receive training on its use.

**Action:** On the grant from Assiniboine Credit Union, BttF will invite ACU to look at the website as it is rolled out.

- ⌘ Grant money will go towards web hosting, and maintenance and design of the website.

## ***h) Events and Fundraising (Molly McCracken)***

- 🚲 The fall forum was attended by 150 people
- 🚲 Our intent is to hold an annual event
- 🚲 Evaluation of the Forum
  - Good
    - Breakout sessions
    - Sale of new memberships
    - We did a good job of getting the word out about the event
    - Maps
    - Hospitality
    - Skit
    - Postering
    - Media Coverage
    - Fall Forum report is better organized
  - Needs Improvement
    - Breakout speakers were hard to hear
    - We could use more posters
  - Have report delivery set in advance of the forum
- 🚲 The forum report is completed
- 🚲 There was discussion as to whether or not to stage events at both City Hall and the Provincial Legislature for the release of the report.
- 🚲 It was decided to make the release of the forum report a more city-oriented media event. The release of the provincial budget submission will be focused on the province.

## ***i) Safety & Education (Dave Elmore)***

- 🚲 The committee gave advice to a member who was injured in an accident with a car. She's willing to speak to media.
- 🚲 Several members of the committee are working at becoming Can-Bike certified.
- 🚲 The committee is working on a training course based on Can-Bike training that they hope to be ready to offer in the spring. The training would
  - Focus on on-road skills
  - Have a shorter course length
  - Offer several levels
  - Will not lead to Can-Bike Certification
- 🚲 It is hoped that such training courses will help get cyclists off the sidewalks

## ***j) Directors at Large***

No reports this month

## 6) New Business

### a) *Planners Network Conference*

Richard Milgrom, presented on behalf of the Planners Network ([www.plannersnetwork.org](http://www.plannersnetwork.org)).

- ⌘ Planners Network is a mainly North American organization, with a growing number of members in the UK and South America as well
- ⌘ The Planners Network has a strong Canadian Contingent
- ⌘ The 2008 Planners Network Conference is July 17-20 in Winnipeg, Manitoba
  - It will be preceded by another conference July 13th to 16th aimed at working professionals in the city planning field.
  - About 300 members will participate.
- ⌘ AT is a growing concern / point of interest in the Planners Network
- ⌘ They would want one mobile workshop to be focused on AT
- ⌘ What can they offer us as help?
- ⌘ They would like us to make suggestions on speakers we would like to see, and on what kind of workshops would benefit our needs.
- ⌘ They've just launched their website.
- ⌘ They need to know what workshops they will be providing by mid January.

#### Questions/Comments arising:

- Q. On the workshop's content/purpose, could we get professional development for city employees?
  - Planners Network wants to help with reports to the city/province.
  - Upcoming speakers for the conference to be determined. Richard hopes that we will help publicize the conference by announcing speakers and dates to our membership.
  - The Planners Network should become a partner organization of Bike to the Future.

## 7) Reports from Project and Committee Reps

### a) *City of Winnipeg Active Transportation Advisory Committee (Gareth Simons)*

- ⌘ Work on Winsmart is ongoing
- ⌘ ATAC (Active Transportation Advisory Committee) recommendations (from the AT report) are going forward
- ⌘ Working on long term plan

#### Questions/Comments arising:

Terry Zdan mentioned that the U of W Sustainable Transport working group is working on a hub for AT transport at the U of W, and that this would be a good opportunity for BttF and the U of W to hook up. Kevin mentioned that Dave Hubbard has been our U of W Bike Station liaison since late spring.

### b) *Winsmart (Tim Hunt)*

- ⌘ See above

### c) *North East Pioneers Greenway – Marconi (Don English)*

- ⌘ Don has been speaking to CPR with regards to Marconi.
  - No positive response so far.
  - Meeting with Service Manager next week on specifics of why they are saying no to our proposed route

### d) *Bishop Grandin Greenway (Don English)*

- ⌘ Working on a Fort Garry Bridge Update
- ⌘ U of M has bought Southwood Golf Course
- ⌘ Want wider sidewalks
- ⌘ See attached report

**e) *Disraeli Rehabilitation (Kevin Miller)***

No report this month

**f) *One Green City (Anders Swanson)***

- ⌘ Working on Southwest Map
- ⌘ Anders can help create maps for your community

**g) *North Winnipeg Commuter Cyclists (Anders Swanson)***

- ⌘ Will approach community committee in January to suggest use of their community based process/mapping strategy to create city wide maps
- ⌘ Building up their local lists of endorsements
- ⌘ Look to the One Green City site ([www.onegreencity.com](http://www.onegreencity.com)) for updates

**h) *West Central Commuter Cyclists (David Wieser)***

- ⌘ Attended Bombers Open House, spoke to Dave Asper regarding a bile valet service for Bomber games. He was told any decision would have to wait for announcements on funding.
- ⌘ He's been talking with City of Winnipeg AT Coordinator Kevin Nixon about a bicycle/pedestrian overpass of Portage at Omands Creek.
- ⌘ Also working on a Silver Avenue Trailway.

**i) *North Winnipeg Parkway (Jim Chapryk)***

No report this month

**j) *U of W Bike Station (Dave Hubbard)***

No report this month

**k) *Downtown City Biz (Rob Cosco)***

- ⌘ We need to get a stakeholders meeting going
- ⌘ Downtown BIZ is asking for downtown bike lanes

**l) *U of W Sunset Student Researcher (Mark Cohoe)***

- ⌘ Survey is almost ready, should be make available at the next BttF Meeting

**Action:** Mark will try and set up a drop off location for the surveys at MEC

**m) *Chief Peguis Extension – Henderson to Lagimodiere (Brion Dolenko)***

No Report

**8) Call for Adjournment**

Motion: To adjourn M/S/C

Minutes submitted by Mark Cohoe

# Reports

## ***City Committee***

The Property, Planning & Development Committee has completed the review of city by-laws & made their recommendations. Although we are disappointed that they did not consider our comprehensive recommendations they have at least dropped the previous "threshold" with regards to parking for cyclists.

The following are the Committee's recommendations on the Zoning By-law Review. Please note that these recommendations do not include the Downtown, which is to be reviewed separately. The by-laws will be reviewed by Public Works one year after they are accepted by Council. As our recommendations were very comprehensive we are fortunate that we are already prepared with our recommendations for that review.

19. That where automobile parking spaces are required as indicated in table "5-9: General Accessory Parking Requirements":

A. Where ten (10) or more vehicle parking stalls are required, lockable bicycle parking shall be provided at a ten percent (10%) ratio to automobile parking, i.e. ten bicycle parking spaces per 100 automobile parking stalls.

B. Required bicycle parking must be located with convenient access to major building entrances.

20. That the planning of long term bicycle parking be referred to the Winnipeg Public Service for the review of the Winnipeg Zoning By-law, one (1) year from the date of enactment of the by-law.

I have requested to meet with the Downtown Councilor's involved in the Downtown review & will again present our recommendations. These ideas will also be presented to the Downtown Biz members (Jan/08) in order to solicit their support & explain the details of what we are requesting.

Gareth, Mark & Anders continue to dedicate a great deal of time to the Active Transportation Advisory Committee & are making solid progress. We continue to give ATAC our full ongoing support.

Rob for the City Committee



**Financial Statement**  
**- Activity Report to November 13, 2007**

Date	Activity	Ck#	Withdrawal	Deposit	Balance
23-Mar-07	Credit Union share purchase		\$ 5.00		\$ (5.00)
31-Mar-07	Overdraft Interest		\$ 0.02		\$ (5.02)
<b>01-Apr-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ (5.02)</b>
25-Apr-07	Home Deposit ATM #009256			\$ 185.00	\$ 179.98
25-Apr-07	Home Deposit ATM #009257			\$ 60.00	\$ 239.98
30-Apr-07	Overdraft Interest		\$ 0.06		\$ 239.92
<b>01-May-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ 239.92</b>
01-May-07	Home Deposit ATM #001199			\$ 60.00	\$ 299.92
09-May-07	Home Deposit ATM #003326			\$ 70.00	\$ 369.92
14-May-07	Home Deposit ATM #004635			\$ 210.00	\$ 579.92
23-May-07	Home Deposit ATM #006703			\$ 10.00	\$ 589.92
30-May-07	DAVIS + HENDERSON-CHEQUE OR	0	\$ 80.61		\$ 509.31
30-May-07	DAVIS + HENDERSON-CHEQUE OR	0	\$ 93.73		\$ 415.58
<b>01-Jun-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ 415.58</b>
05-Jun-07	Home Deposit ATM #000170			\$ 40.00	\$ 455.58
05-Jun-07	Home Deposit ATM #000171			\$ 50.00	\$ 505.58
13-Jun-07	Home Deposit ATM #004465			\$ 10.00	\$ 515.58
14-Jun-07	Home Deposit ATM #002511			\$ 35.00	\$ 550.58
14-Jun-07	Home Deposit ATM #002512			\$ 60.00	\$ 610.58
15-Jun-07	Home Deposit ATM #008980			\$ 35.00	\$ 645.58
18-Jun-07	MEN membership, receipt book	2	\$ 48.44		\$ 597.14
<b>01-Jul-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ 597.14</b>
03-Jul-07	Incorporation cost	4	\$ 100.00		\$ 497.14
05-Jul-07	Printing membership cards	1	\$ 100.01		\$ 397.13
26-Jul-07	Home Deposit ATM #002430			\$ 25.00	\$ 422.13
27-Jul-07	Name registration	3	\$ 40.00		\$ 382.13
<b>01-Aug-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ 382.13</b>
13-Aug-07	Deposit			\$ 10.00	\$ 392.13
13-Aug-07	Manitoba Eco Network (MEN) membership	5	\$ 50.00		\$ 342.13
16-Aug-07	Deposit			\$ 40.00	\$ 382.13
31-Aug-07	Deposit			\$ 40.00	\$ 422.13
<b>01-Sep-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ 422.13</b>
20-Sep-07	Credit - Duplicate cheques returned			\$93.73	\$515.86
27-Sep-07	Deposit - memberships			\$565.00	\$1,080.86
<b>01-Oct-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$1,080.86</b>
03-Oct-07	Printing costs (Open Door Press)	6	\$ 33.90		\$ 1,046.96
11-Oct-07	Donation (City counsellor)			\$ 100.00	\$ 1,146.96
11-Oct-07	Forum float	10	\$ 100.00		\$ 1,046.96
12-Oct-07	Forum float			\$ 100.00	\$ 1,146.96
15-Oct-07	Deposit			\$ 80.61	\$ 1,227.57
19-Oct-07	Printing membership cards	7	\$ 112.44		\$ 1,115.13
29-Oct-07	Web Hosting fee	11	\$ 185.63		\$ 929.50
31-Oct-07	Deposit - memberships			\$ 918.51	\$ 1,848.01
31-Oct-07	Interest			\$ 0.02	\$ 1,848.03
<b>01-Nov-07</b>	<b>Opening Balance</b>				<b>\$ 1,848.03</b>
			<b>\$ 949.84</b>	<b>\$ 2,797.87</b>	